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SUBJECT: WFP GENERAL REGULATIONS

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1. SUMMARY. FRIENDS OF CHAIRMAN HELD INCONCLUSIVE TWO-HOUR MEETING FRIDAY OCTOBER 28 ON THE QUESTION OF GENERAL REGULATION ON ELIGIBILITY FOR ASSISTANCE. USDEL PLANS SUGGEST AT NEXT MEETING POSSIBLE COMPROMISE WHEREBY CFA RE-ENDORSEMENT OF ASSISTANCE TO NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS (NLM'S) WILL BE MADE IN REPORT OF FOURTH CFA. END SUMMARY.

2. FRIENDS REMAINED DEEPLY DIVIDED ON QUESTION OF INCLUSION OF NLM'S. BRITTO FOR G-77 ACIDLY DECRIED DEVELOPED COUNTRY INTRASIGENCE ATTEMPTING TO INFER THAT ATTITUDE ON TEXT SYMBOLIC OF RELUCTANCE TO ASSIST NLM'S. GUINEA, CONGO AND IRAQ COMPLAINED THAT DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TRYING TO ROB NLM'S OF ONLY POSSESSION - THEIR IDENTITIES. SAUDI ARABIA POSTURED THAT HE MIGHT SEEK NEW INSTRUCT-
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IONS SOS THAT HE COULD MEET WESTERN STUBBORNESS WITH HIS OWN.

G-77 ALSO PRODUCED FOLLOWING

TEXT. IT WILL BE NOTED IT CHANGES THE DEBATE VERY LITTLE. QUOTE.

ALL STATES MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS OR MEMBERS OR ASSOCIATE

MEMBERS OF ANY SPECIALIZED AGENCY OR OF THE IAEA SHALL BE ELIGIBLE

TO SUBMIT REQUESTS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE PROGRAMME. THE PROGRAMME

MAY ALSO CONSIDER OTHER REQUESTS, IN PARTICULAR THOSE FROM

LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE OAU, MADE WITH THE AGREEMENT OF THE HOST GOVERNMENTS, THAT ARE IN CONFORMITY WITH SPECIFIC RESOLUTION OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND FAO, AND THAT MEET THE AIMS OF WFP, THE IMPLEMENTATION BEING CARRIED OUT IN

ACCORDANCE WITH THE CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES OF THE PROGRAMME, AS APPROPRIATE. UNQUOTE. AT CLOSE OF MEETING BRITTO STILL INSISTED ONLY TEXT ON WHICH G-77 HAD AUTHORIZED DISCUSSION WAS HIS TEXT.

3. FRENCH AMBASSADOR STRONGLY OPPOSED G-77 TEXTS, SAYING THAT WITHOUT ELIMINATION OF WORDS LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, FRANCE COULD NOT SUPPORT. (FYI. FRENCH INSTRUCTIONS IDENTICAL TO THOSE PARA 1 REF B.) AUSTRALIA ALSO FIRMLY REJECTED G-77 INSISTENCE ON MENTION OF NLM'S IN TEXT.

4. AFTER EARLIER FLIRTATION WITH G-77 TEXT, TURKEY FOUND NEW REFERENCE TO QUOTE WITH CONSENT OF HOST GOVERNMENTS UNQUOTE UNACCEPTABLE, AND REVERTED TO SUPPORT FOR ORIGINAL TEXT OF AD HOC WORKING GROUP. HE ALSO SUGGESTED POSSIBLE INTERPRETIVE NOTE.

5. USDEL STATEMENT FOLLOWED LINES OF FRANCE AND AUSTRALIA. WE INDICATED QUESTION NOT WHETHER WFP CAN OR SHOULD GIVE ASSISTANCE TO NLM'S IT DOES, AND SHOULD CONTINUE. NEITHER, AS BRAZIL REP TIRED TO INTIMATE, WAS U.S. AID POLICY IN QUESTION. U.S. SIMPLY OBJECTED TO DIRECT LINKAGE OF WORLD FOOD PROGRAM TO SPECIFIC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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POLITICAL CONCEPTS IN GENERAL REGULATIONS, SINCE THIS COULD SERIOUSLY DAMAGE THE BROAD BASED SUPPORT FOR WFP AS AN APOLITICAL PROGRAM WORKING TO FEED NEEDIEST CITIZENS WHEREVER LOCATED.

6. ALTHOUGH IT WAS NOT APPROPRIATE TO INDICATE AT THAT MEETING THE INTERPRETIVE NOTE ENVISIONED BY U.S., FRANCE AND AUSTRALIA WOULD BE IN REPORT OF FOURTH CFA AS ARE ALL PROCEDURAL OR POLICY DECISIONS OF CFA VIS A VIS SPECIFIC OPERATIVE ISSUES. WE WERE INTERESTED IN POSSIBLE COMPROMISE OFFERED BY TURKEY (AS WAS FRANCE AND AUSTRALIA) BUT IT MUST BE SUCH THAT NLM'S NOTE NOT INCLUDED NOR ANNEXED TO GENERAL REGULATIONS.

7. COMMENT: DESPITE RHETORIC, THERE DID APPEAR TO BE SOME MOVEMENT FORWARD. ALTHOUGH G-77 REPS REFUSED TO DISCUSS SUCH INTERPRETIVE NOTE UNLESS CONNECTED TO THEIR TEXT, WE BELIEVE THERE MAY YET BE FLEXIBILITY. WHEN FRIENDS MEET NEXT, WE PLAN TO TABLE SHORT TEXT FOR INCLUSION IN CFA FOURTH REPORT INCIDATING QUOTE. THE CFA ADOPTED THE TEXT OF GENERAL REGULATION 14 AS DRAFTED BY THE AD HOC WORKING GROUP. IT NOTED WITH SATISFACTION ASSURANCES BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

THAT THE TEXT PROVIDED SUFFICIENT FLEXIBILITY TO ENABLE THE PROGRAMME TO CONTINUE TO GRANT ASSISTANCE TO LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED

BY THE UN AND OAU. THE COMMITTEE ALSO RE-ENDORSED THE DECISION IT MADE AT THE 25TH AND 26TH IGC ON THIS QUESTION. UNQUOTE. AS A POSSIBLE FALLBACK, WE MAY LATER SUGGEST AN ALTERNATIVE LAST SENTENCE. QUOTE. IN GIVING ITS APPROVAL, THE CFA ESPECIALLY URGED THE FAO DIRECTOR GENERAL AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO CONTINUE TO RENDER ALL APROPRIATE AND SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION TO REQUESTS BY LIBERATION MOVEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE UN AND OAU, AND, WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF RULE 14, TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO FACILITATE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE THROUGH SUCH ORGANIZATIONS. UNQUOTE.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE GIVE SOONEST U.S. VOTING RECORD FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS OF UNGA ALONG WITH CHANGES IN U.S. POSITION IF INDICATED:

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